

Medical gas storage tanks are furnished by the vendor that supplies the medical gas to the hospital. The foundations that support the tanks as well as the associated piping and utilities must be designed to be compatible with the specific tanks and must be

installed by the general contractor for the hospital. Once the medical gas supplier for the new hospital was determined and the design criteria for the tanks was supplied to the architect, details for the anchorage and utilities were developed and submitted for Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development approval.

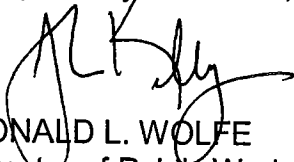
The recommended change will allow the contractor to construct the tank foundations, all necessary underground piping and electrical from the tank area to the Central Plant building, as well as the above-ground electrical controls. Cost negotiations for this change order have not been finalized. We estimate that the total cost will not exceed \$250,000 with no delay to the project completion date. However, if the final value of the change order exceeds the cost estimate, we will return to your Board for approval. Public Works issued two proceed orders totaling \$150,000 for a portion of this work to avoid delay impact, the value of which is included in the recommended \$250,000. This change order is considered to be within the scope of the project.

We have reviewed the above recommendations, as well as the potential cost impact, with the Project Advisory Committee. There is sufficient appropriation available in the Fiscal Year 2006-07 Capital Projects Budget (C.P. 70787) to fund this action.

CONCLUSION

Please return an adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Administrative Office (Capital Projects Division) and Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,


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